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AN ORDINANCE

APPOINTING GIGI F. BOWMAN, TURNER BOWMAN, JOHN A. CAMPBELL, CHARLIE RENE GARZA AND JAMES L. MYERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-TWO, CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE RIDGE STONE PROJECT, FOR TERMS OF OFFICE BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2005, TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2006, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS TAX CODE, CHAPTER 311, THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ACT, AND THE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VIII, ENTITLED "BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS"; AND PROVIDING FOR THE WAIVER FOR THESE TERMS ONLY OF SECTION 2-402 OF SAID ARTICLE FOR EACH APPOINTEE

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio ("City") received a petition by Big Fish Development On Five, LP, the owner representing over 50% of the value of the property in an area commonly referred to as the Ridge Stone Project, requesting that the area be designated as a Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zone ("TIRZ") to help fund public improvements and promote economic development within the Zone; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance Number 100188, passed and approved on December 16, 2004, City Council authorized the designation of the Ridge Stone Project as Reinvestment Zone Number Twenty-Two, City of San Antonio, Texas ("Zone") and established a Board of Directors for the Zone (hereinafter "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Tax Increment Financing Act ("The Act") provides that the Board consists of nine members, unless a greater number is necessary in order to meet the requirements of the Act; currently the Board consists of eleven members, seven of whom are to be City appointees, two are to be County appointees and two are the state legislators in whose districts the TIRZ lies, or their designees; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2004, City Council passed and approved Ordinance Number 100199, which amended Chapter 2 of the City Code of the City of San Antonio ("City Code"), by adding Article VIII, entitled "Boards and Commissions" which governs the creation and operation of all boards and commissions created by ordinance or resolution passed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, staff advertised for applications for appointment to TIRZ boards in January 2005, and received five (5) applications for the Ridge Stone Board and all applicants meet the statutory requirements for eligibility for appointment; and

WHEREAS, it has been and continues to be the City's policy to subject all TIRZ boards to the boards and commissions policies of the City, except as provided otherwise by state law; and

WHEREAS, due to the unique nature of TIRZ boards, and in an effort to comply with the amended City Code, staff requests that for these terms only, these appointees to this Board be exempted from Section 2-302 of the City Code, regarding the process used for making at-large appointments to boards and commissions; NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

Section 1. Gigi F. Bowman, Turner Bowman, John A. Campbell, Charlie Rene Garza and James L. Myers are hereby appointed to the Board of Directors for Reinvestment Zone Number Twenty-Two, City of San Antonio, Texas, commonly referred to as the Ridge Stone Project, for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2005, and expiring December 31, 2006.

Section 2. The above appointees to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number Twenty-Two Board of Directors are required to comply with all applicable City Code provisions, City ordinances, Charter provisions, state law and federal law including the requirement to submit an annual Financial Disclosure form, the Texas Open Meetings Act, Charter provisions on Holdover, and Chapter 2, Article VIII of the City Code, except that, for these terms of office only, City Code Section 2-402 (at-large appointment process) shall not apply to these appointees.

Section 3. It is hereby found that the above appointees are qualified voters of the City of San Antonio; or are at least eighteen (18) years of age and are owners of real property in the Zone, an employee or an agent of a person who owns real property in the Zone, and thereby meet the requirements of the Tax Increment Financing Act in effect at the time the Zone was created.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective on the tenth day after passage hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of May 2005.

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EDWARD D. GARZA

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney